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SUBJECT: EXCERPTS FROM EA/PRCM WEEKLY STATUS REPORT

1. NUCLEAR FALLOUT FROM PRC ATMOSPHERIC TEST
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THE DEPARTMENT'S PRESS SPOKESMAN OCTOBER 6 USED THE
PREPARED GUIDANCE ON THE CHINESE NUCLEAR FALLOUT, INCLUDING
THE OPERATIVE PHRASE: "I WILL SIMPLY SAY THAT WE WILL MAKE
OUR POSITION CLEAR ONCE AGAIN TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE
PRC." WE HAVE HAD NUMEROUS PHONE CALLS ON THIS SUBJECT,
PRIMARILY FROM THE PRESS BUT ALSO FROM A FEW IRATE AMERICAN
CITIZENS. IN THE MEANTIME, SENATOR KENNEDY, IN HIS CAPACITY
AS CHAIRMAN OF THE SENATE SUBCOMMITTEE ON ADMINISTRATIVE
PRACTICE AND PROCEDURE, WROTE THE SECRETARY OCTOBER 6 TO
EXPRESS CONCERN THAT INFORMATION CONCERNING THE FALLOUT DID
NOT REACH THE PUBLIC UNTIL AT LEAST FIVE DAYS AFTER IT WAS
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DETECTED AND TO REQUEST INFORMATION ON THE POLICIES AND

PROCEDURES USED BY STATE IN DEALING WITH RADIOACTIVE FALL-OUT HAZARDS. OES IS WORKING ON A REPLY.

4. PRC VOLLEYVALL TEAM - POTENTIAL HOUSTON CONFLICT
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THE SCHEDULED PERFORMANCE OF THE PRC VOLLEYBALL TEAM IN PASADENA, TEXAS OCTOBER 9 MAY BE JEOPARDIZED BY THE FACT THAT AN ROC CHAMBER MUSIC GROUP WILL BE PLAYING AT RICE UNIVERSITY IN NEARBY HOUSTON THE SAME NIGHT. THE LEADER OF THE PRC VOLLEYBALL TEAM, WHICH IS CURRENTLY HERE IN WASHINGTON, HAS ASKED THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE ASSURANCES ON THREE POINTS: THAT NO "INCIDENTS" WILL OCCUR DURING THEIR TOUR OF THE US; THAT THEY NOT BE IN THE SAME CITY WITH "CHIANG KAI-SHEK CLIQUE" ATHLETIC TEAMS; AND THAT THEIR SECURITY WILL BE ASSURED. THE LEADER LATER CORRECTED THE SECOND POINT TO INCLUDE ANY "CHIANG KAI-SHEK CLIQUE" GROUPS. WHILE HOUSTON AND PASADENA ARE TECHNICALLY SEPARATE CITIES, THEY ARE IN THE SAME METROPOLITAN REGION, AND WE HAVE ADVISED THE NATIONAL COMMITTEE TO AVOID ANY APPEARANCE OF DISSEMBLING IN RESPONDING TO THE CHINESE. THERE ARE ALSO INDICATIONS THAT THE KU KLUX KLAN MAY ORGANIZE A DEMONSTRATION AGAINST THE TEAM'S PRESENCE IN PASADENA. ART ROSEN PLANS TO RESPOND TO THE CHINESE AFTER THE VOLLEYBALL GAME IN FAIRFAX TONIGHT (OCTOBER 7).

5. PACIFIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE: CHIREP ISSUE
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THE WHITE HOUSE-BASED OFFICE OF TELECOMMUNICATIONS POLICY (OTP) IS FORGING AHEAD WITH PLANS TO ORGANIZE A PACIFIC TELECOMMUNICATIONS CONFERENCE NEXT SPRING. OTP HAS ALREADY GIVEN A PRELIMINARY BRIEFING TO THE JAPANESE, CANADIANS AND AUSTRALIANS, AND HAS ASKED THE DEPARTMENT TO INVITE REPRESENTATIVES FROM THE OTHER PROSPECTIVE PARTICIPANTS TO A SIMILAR BRIEFING IN THE EA CONFERENCE ROOM ON OCTOBER 14. WE ARE CONCERNED WITH THE CHIREP PROBLEMS THE CONFERENCE WILL POSE FOR US, PARTICULARLY IN LIGHT OF THE RECENT DEVELOPMENTS IN INTELSAT. FOR THIS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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REASON, WE PUT A HOLD ON PLANS TO INVITE THE ROC TO THIS PRELIMINARY BRIEFING WHILE WE ARE SORTING OUT THE BEST WAY TO HANDLE THE PROBLEM.

6. PRC REGISTRATION OF US TRADEMARKS
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A DELEGATION OF THE NATIONAL COUNCIL FOR US-CHINA TRADE

(NCUSCT) IS ARRIVING IN PEKING OCTOBER 8 AND PLANS TO ASK THE PRC TO GRANT US FIRMS THE SAME TRADEMARK REGISTRATION PRIVILEGES THAT ALL FOREIGNERS (INCLUDING THE CHINESE) PRESENTLY ENJOY UNDER US LAW. NCUSCT PRESIDENT CHRIS PHILLIPS AND NCUSCT LEGAL COUNSEL WALTER SURREY CALLED ON ME OCTOBER 2 AND SOUGHT DEPARTMENT BACKING FOR THIS EFFORT. AFTER CONSULTING WITH L, WE AUTHORIZED THE NCUSCT TO TELL THE CHINESE THAT SINCE THE PRC IS ALREADY PERMITTED TO REGISTER THEIR TRADEMARKS UNDER US LAW, THE USG WOULD WELCOME A RECIPROCAL CHINESE DECISION TO PERMIT REGISTRATION OF US TRADEMARKS IN THE PRC. SURREY PLANS TO USE THIS STATEMENT IN A PAPER HE WILL PRESENT TO HIS CHINESE LEGAL COUNTERPART. THE PAPER, WHICH WAS NOT YET FINISHED WHEN SURREY LEFT WASHINGTON OCTOBER 5, WILL BE CABLED BACK THROUGH USLO FOR OUR APPROVAL BEFORE IT IS PASSED TO THE CHINESE.

7. SMITHSONIAN EXHIBITION ON TIBET (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

WE INADVERTENTLY LEARNED (THE RELEVANT CABLE TRAFFIC HAD NOT BEEN CLEARED WITH EITHER EA OR NEA) THAT THE SMITHSONIAN IS LOOKING INTO THE POSSIBILITY OF HOLDING AN ETHNOLOGY EXHIBITION ON TIBET, IN CONNECTION WITH WHICH A SMITHSONIAN CURATOR HOPED TO CALL ON THE DALAI LAMA DURING A VISIT TO INDIA THIS MONTH. AT OUR PROMPTING NEA/INS SPOKE WITH SMITHSONIAN AUTHORITIES, WHO AGREED THAT SUCH A CALL WAS NOT APPROPRIATE IN VIEW OF THE POLITICAL SENSITIVITIES INVOLVED. AN APPROPRIATE INSTRUCTION HAS BEEN SENT TO EMBASSY NEW DELHI. IN THE MEANTIME, WE ARE SEEKING MORE INFORMATION CONCERNING THE TIBET EXHIBITION.

12. CODEL CURTIS (LIMITED OFFICIAL USE)

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PRCLO INFORMED THE NSC OCTOBER 7 THAT APPROVAL HAD BEEN RECEIVED FOR CODEL CURTIS TO VISIT THE PRC FOR TWO WEEKS BEGINNING NOVEMBER 8. THE DELEGATION CAN INCLUDE 16 PERSONS (NOT INCLUDING THE USLO ESCORT).

OTHER ITEMS COVERED:

2. PRC REACTION TO SECRETARY'S UNGA SPEECH (LOU)

3. SOMBER NATIONAL DAY (CONFIDENTIAL)

8. US-PRC EXCHANGES (UNCLASSIFIED)

9. VISITORS TO PEKING (UNCLASSIFIED)

10. CONSULTATIONS (UNCLASSIFIED)

11. SPEAKERS (UNCLASSIFIED)

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